



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Jeff PACE et al.,)

Application No.: 09/605,654)

Filed: June 28, 2000)

For: FUEL INJECTOR HAVING A)
MODIFIED SEAT)
FOR ENHANCED COMPRESSED NATURAL)
GAS JET MIXING)

Group Art Unit: 3752

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Sir:

**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR
RECONSIDERATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed **March 14, 2002**, the period for response being extended with a petition for a one-month extension of time to July 15, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1 and 8 as follow:

1. (Amended) A fuel injector having a fuel inlet, a fuel outlet, and a fuel passageway extending from the fuel inlet to the fuel outlet along a longitudinal axis, the fuel injector comprising:
- a body;
 - a needle slidably disposed within the body between a first position and a second position; and
 - a seat disposed at the fuel outlet, the seat including:
 - a seat surface contiguous to a portion of the needle in the first position to form a seal